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UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**April 2, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:45)**

KCAL9 Reporter Brianna Keilar reports unemployment benefits for nearly 200,000 Americans expire next week. Democrats wanted to extend those benefits before Congress went into the Easter recess, but one Republican lawmaker blocked the extension.

L.A. CITY CASH**April 5, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:15)**

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports that tonight a top city official warns L.A. could run out of cash next month, unless drastic action is taken. It's the latest chapter in the escalating war between the City Council and the Department of Water and Power.

L.A. AUDIT POWER PLAY**April 7, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:04)**

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports more developments as the war between the Mayor and the City Council continues to escalate. One issue is that the City Council will now consider whether to challenge the Mayor for control of the DWP Board.

STUPAK NOT RUNNING**April 9, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:10)**

KCAL9 Reporter Nancy Cordes reports another key Democratic lawmaker announced he's retiring instead of running for re-election. Michigan Congressman Bart Stupak said he will not seek a tenth term. Stupak's critics claim he's now paying the price for his vote in support of health care reform.

GAY SOCIAL SECURITY**April 11, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:00)**

KCAL9 Reporter Stacey Butler reports that in Hollywood today, protestors demanded equal social security benefits for gay and lesbian couples. The crowd heard a number of speakers calling for support of a bill making its way through Congress that would allow gay and lesbian couples the same social security rights as straight couples.

NUCLEAR SUMMIT**April 13, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:44)**

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports President Obama is basking in the glow of the conclusion of his nuclear summit. Tonight, leaders from nearly 50 countries officially endorsed his four-year goal of securing nuclear materials.

TEA PARTY DC

April 15, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 Reporter Joel Brown reports Tea Party activists gathered around the country at hundreds of rallies today. They spoke out against taxes, and took on incumbents in Washington, DC.

OBAMA / BOXER EVENT

April 19, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:59)

KCAL9 Reporter Glen Walker reports details on two fundraisers the President attended in California tonight to help Senator Barbara Boxer and the Democrats build up their campaign war chests. Boxer is facing an increasingly tougher challenge from the GOP, and some political observers are describing her seat as "vulnerable."

L.A. CITY PENSIONS

April 21, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports live with details on how apparently some people in Los Angeles government are getting 20-thousand dollars a month after retirement! Though the city may be broke, some people getting pensions are collecting eye-popping amounts.

AZ IMMIGRATION LAW

April 23, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports live from downtown L.A. with the story of how Arizona is taking a lot of heat, after passing a landmark law that comes down hard on illegal immigrants. Tonight, civil rights groups and immigration reformers are taking sides.

GOLDMAN SACHS GRILLED

April 27, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:08)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports that lawmakers on Capitol Hill want to know how practices at one of Wall Street's biggest investment banks led to the near meltdown of the nation's financial system. Today in Washington, there was heated testimony.

FINANCIAL REFORM

April 29, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:37)

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that the official debate over financial regulatory reform has started. Last night, Senate

Republicans backed off on their fight to make fixes to the bill before a debate.

MINUTEMAN RALLY

May 1, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:52)

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports that supporters of Arizona's immigration law held a rally of their own today in Orange County. A group of people from the Minuteman Project rallied in Brea today, overlooking the 57-freeway. The group says it's important for California and other border states to follow Arizona's lead.

ARNOLD'S BROKEN AGENDA

May 3, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:35)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports that Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger has withdrawn his support for a plan to expand oil drilling off the California coast. In announcing his opposition today, the Governor blamed the massive oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, but this isn't his only recent setback.

GREECE PROTESTS

May 6, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports there was more turmoil and violence again tonight in the Greek capitol, and it's being felt all the way to Wall Street. New clashes are erupting following the Greek government's move to pass a financial bill needed to secure international rescue loans.

SCOTUS ELENA KAGAN

May 10, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports that President Obama called her one of the nation's foremost legal minds—now, she's a Supreme Court nominee. Elena Kagan has never been a judge before, but some legal experts say that could actually help her get confirmed.

GOVERNOR BUDGET

May 14, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:56)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports the battle lines are drawn for the next round in California's budget wars. Governor Schwarzenegger today unveiled his May budget revision, and it contains massive cuts to social services, health care and other key state programs.

L.A. VOTE

May 17, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:03)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports live from downtown L.A., where the L.A. City Council is set to vote on furloughs and layoffs to close a massive budget gap.

L.A. vs. AZ

May 19, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports live from downtown L.A. with the latest political play-by-play, as a power struggle is brewing. Los Angeles city officials are brushing off a warning from an Arizona utilities commissioner. It all has to do with the City Council's Arizona boycott over that state's controversial illegal immigration law.

GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

May 24, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:39)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports the White House is facing increasing questions about why it can't assert more control over the catastrophe in the Gulf, as more oil washes ashore every day. So top government officials turned up the heat on BP today.

BOYCOTT PROTEST

May 25, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:25)

KCAL9 Reporter Kristine Lazar reports protestors are sounding off today at L.A. City Hall. They're rallying against the City Council's Arizona boycott. Protestors believe the Council's decision was irresponsible.

OBAMA OIL DISASTER

May 27, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:10)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports President Obama today said he wakes up with the oil spill on his mind, and he goes to bed thinking about it. Calling it an unprecedented disaster, Mr. Obama today announced swift new rules, and took responsibility for the cleanup.

FAILURE FALLOUT

May 30, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:15)

KCAL9 Reporter Sharyl Attkisson reports that with no end in sight to the catastrophe in the Gulf, tension appears to be growing between the White House and BP. Both sides are pointing fingers at each other, as the gusher goes on and on.

MEMORIAL DAY

May 31, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Joel Brown reports that in a break with tradition, President Obama marked Memorial Day with a wreath-laying near

Chicago, but a storm got in the way of his speech. Vice President Joe Biden did the honors at the Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.

LAUSD ARIZONA BOYCOTT

June 1, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:17)

KCAL9 Reporter Melissa McCarty reports there is more Southern California opposition to Arizona's new illegal immigration law. The L.A. Unified School Board voted to look for ways to cut economic ties with Arizona. The resolution also takes the controversy to the classroom.

OBAMA GULF VISIT

June 4, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:12)

KCAL9 Reporter Chip Reid reports that after some frustrating moments, BP was finally able to get a cap on the gushing well in the Gulf of Mexico. This as President Obama made his third visit to the Gulf today. The President lashed out at BP over reports that it plans to spend 50 million dollars on an ad campaign to improve its image.

RACE FOR GOVERNOR

June 8, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:04)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports as part of our live team coverage of Meg Whitman and Steve Poizner's campaigns. The two leading Republican candidates for Governor already have spent more than \$100 million dollars.

IRAN ELECTION ANNIVERSARY

June 12, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:02)

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports that Iranians are turning to social media to get the word out on protests that took place today on the one-year anniversary of Iran's disputed Presidential election.

WHITMAN SHOVING PAYOFF

June 14, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:49)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports live from the newsroom on the story of Republican Governor candidate Meg Whitman going on the defensive tonight, after a published report about her days as CEO at eBay. One incident noted in the report apparently involved shoving an eBay employee, and allegedly resulted in a six-figure payoff to that employee.

OIL SPILL TESTIMONY

June 17, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:08)

KCAL Reporter Samantha Hayes reports L.A. Congressman Henry Waxman today accused the chairman of BP of stonewalling. Tony Hayward was testifying before a Congressional panel and refused to

say if the company tried to save money, at the expense of safety—something Waxman called irresponsible.

NETANYAHU REVERSES BLOCKADE

June 21, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:12)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports Israel is moving to ease the blockade imposed on the Gaza Strip. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu informed his Likud Party of the government's decision today.

McCHRYSTAL RESIGNS

June 23, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:38)

KCAL9 Reporter Dan Lothian reports that General McChrystal has been relieved of his command. The fallout from an inflammatory magazine article has ended with the removal of the man running the war on terror. Tonight, we're learning more about the face-to-face meeting between President Obama and General Stanley McChrystal.

PETRAEUS REACTION

June 24, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:57)

KCAL9 Reporter Alison Harmelin reports lawmakers from both parties are lining up to praise the President's new pick to run the war in Afghanistan. But they're still split over the strategy that General David Petraeus helped craft, and will now have to execute.

G-20 SUMMIT

June 27, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:34)

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports world leaders have wrapped up the G-20 Summit in Canada, discussing key issues in the global economy.

KAGAN CONFIRMATION

June 29, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:49)

KCAL9 Reporter Terrell Brown reports Supreme Court nominee Elena Kagan is back on Capitol Hill for the second day of her confirmation hearing. However, it's her first day of tough questioning about her background.

ELENA KAGAN

June 30, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:03)

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports Supreme Court nominee Elena Kagan is near the end of a grueling turn in the Senate Judiciary Committee witness chair. But the presiding Senator, Patrick Leahy, told reporters she will be confirmed.

FACEBOOK VICTIMS**April 1, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:01)**

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports live from the newsroom on what began as a Facebook feud - a war of words - but was settled with a carving knife. One Orange County teen is accused of stabbing and slashing three others. Tonight, one victim speaks out.

VALLEY VILLAGE SHOOTING**April 3, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:02)**

KCAL9 Reporter Jay Jackson reports live from the crime scene in Valley Village, with the latest on how a shooter hit six people, killing four of them. The other two victims are in critical condition tonight. It happened at a restaurant on Riverside Drive, next to Colfax Avenue.

PINK'S ROBBED**April 6, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:53)**

KCAL9 Reporter Rachel Kim reports live from Pink's, with the latest on the search for a suspect. The suspect was caught on tape trying to rob Pink's Hot Dog stand in Hollywood. He didn't get the cash he was after, but didn't go away empty-handed, either.

DEAD WIFE**April 9, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:06)**

KCAL9 Reporter Suraya Fadel reports live from Palms on today's developments in the case of a Hollywood producer who was arrested after his wife was found dead in Mexico. The husband has been released from a Mexico jail, but police have told him not to leave the country.

I-5 FAMILY**April 12, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:10)**

KCAL9 Reporter Rachel Kim reports live from Whittier, where four children were killed tonight in a violent freeway pileup. Two people are under arrest in the incident, which happened on the down-slope of the rain-soaked 5-freeway in the Newhall Pass this morning.

WOMAN KILLED**April 14, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)**

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports live from North Hollywood, as L.A. police search for clues in a deadly shooting. A woman was shot and killed and investigators don't have a motive or a suspect.

MELROSE MERCHANT BURGLARIES

April 16, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:41)

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports that a suspected serial burglar with expensive taste is sitting in an L.A. jail tonight. Detectives believe they caught the man who's been a menace along Melrose Village and the Miracle Mile.

VAN NUYS HIT AND RUN

April 18, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:26)

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports detectives are trying to find the person behind a hit-and-run in Van Nuys that sent one man to the hospital. It happened on the dangerous stretch of Victory Boulevard near Willis Avenue.

PANTSLESS FUGITIVE

April 21, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:02)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports live about the carjacking suspect who can't be identified by what he was wearing, because he wasn't wearing much! Murrieta Police are looking for a man without pants.

TRANSGENDER ATTACK

April 23, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Reporter Melissa McCarty reports live with the story of a vicious attack on a Southern California campus. Tonight police are looking for the man who slashed a transgender student. The attack happened in a restroom at Cal State Long Beach.

TITO ORTIZ ARREST

April 26, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:41)

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports live with the latest on porn star Jenna Jameson's live-in boyfriend, who is free on bail tonight after being arrested this morning on domestic violence charges.

LAX BODY RETURNS

April 28, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 Reporter Stacey Butler reports live from LAX with details on the arrival back home of the body of a Southern California woman who was murdered while vacationing in Cancun.

ELDERLY DOUBLE HOMICIDE**April 30, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:27)**

KCAL9 Reporter Melissa McCarty reports a Canoga Park man is under arrest, accused of committing a gruesome double murder. Police say he bludgeoned and stabbed his mother and uncle to death, then confessed to it.

NYC BOMB LATEST**May 3, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:40)**

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports live from the newsroom with breaking news details on an arrest just made in the failed Times Square bombing, where an SUV was rigged to blow. We have just learned the suspect's name.

HAWAIIAN GARDENS**May 6, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:56)**

KCAL9 Reporter Suraya Fadel reports live from the scene where a romantic dispute ended in tragedy. Two people were killed and three others were wounded in Hawaiian Gardens. Ten people were in the house when deputies say the suspect started shooting with a semi-automatic rifle.

BREA MURDER**May 8, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:42)**

KCAL9 Reporter Stephanie Abrams reports live from Brea with the story of how a man was found dead, shot several times in his Brea home. Now neighbors nervously wait as police investigate, and search for the killer.

DOMESTIC MURDER**May 10, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:19)**

KCAL9 Reporter Dave Lopez reports on the deadly dispute that ended with a mother murdered in Long Beach. Investigators believe they found her killer several miles away in Woodland Hills. What sparked the tragedy? An apparent custody dispute.

CELEBRITY CHEF ARREST**May 14, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:44)**

KCAL9 Reporter Stephanie Abrams reports live from Santa Monica with a breaking news story. A celebrity chef is under arrest, accused of trying to hire a hit man. Police say the Food Network star approached several people in a murder-for-hire plot.

TARGET WOMAN KIDNAP**May 17, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:50)**

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports live with security photos of the suspects who conned, robbed and kidnapped an 81-year-old woman at gunpoint in a Hawthorne parking lot. It started at the Target store at Crenshaw Boulevard and West 120th Street.

ORANGE BARRICADE**May 19, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:51)**

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reports live from the scene of breaking news in the city of Orange. Police are in a standoff with a 17-year-old convicted felon who is hiding inside his mother's restaurant.

CAR BODY**May 21, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL9 Reporter Rita Garcia reports live from South Gate with an emotional plea tonight from a murdered man's family. It's been almost seven months since police found Oscar Pelayo's body in the trunk of a burning car, and the killer is still on the run.

MISSING PREGNANT HOMICIDE**May 24, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:45)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports on how detectives searching for a missing 17-year-old hope the answers they're looking for are in a landfill. They combed through the trash in Rialto today looking for Anyssia Escamilla's remains. The high school student was three months pregnant. Her boyfriend was the baby's father, and is the prime suspect in her death.

CARJACKING VICTIM**May 26, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:13)**

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reports live from El Toro where a woman fought off a would-be carjacker this morning. She was attacked at an Orange County gas station.

VENICE BOARDWALK FIGHT**May 30, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:31)**

KCAL9 Reporter Stephanie Abrams reports live from Venice, where parts of the Venice boardwalk were shut down tonight, on this busy holiday weekend, because of a fight that Police say got out of hand.

CHARGED WITH MURDER**May 31, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:08)**

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports live from Rancho Palos Verdes with the latest on the man who has been the prime suspect almost from the time his wife's strangled body was discovered. Tonight, we learn that Mexican authorities are charging Bruce Beresford-Redman with the murder of his wife, Monica.

SAMURAI SWORD ATTACK

June 2, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports live from the video warehouse in Van Nuys where an attack took place. A manhunt is now on for a man who went on a rampage with a samurai-style sword. He killed one man and hurt two others.

MAN SHOT IN CAR

June 6, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:32)

KCAL9 Reporter Suraya Fadel reports on a murder mystery and family tragedy in Mid-City. A father was found dead in his car. Police say his own daughter made the deadly discovery. Now police are trying to figure out what happened.

RAPIST ARRESTED

June 9, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:17)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reports live from Fullerton, where a man is in custody tonight, accused of rape. Investigators fear he's left a trail of terror across the country. Kevin Francois has been linked by DNA to a case in Arizona and he could be linked to other sex crimes.

DEADLY CRASH

June 11, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:56)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports live from Redlands with details on the investigation into a deadly end to a high-speed chase. A CHP motorcycle officer died this morning when he crashed during the pursuit. This afternoon, several people have been taken into custody.

THREE-YEAR-OLD KILLED

June 14, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:07)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reports on an emotional day for a Pomona family. Years after their young son was gunned down in a drive-by shooting, detectives say a suspect has been arrested.

SLIDE NAILS

June 17, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:51)

KCAL9 Anchor Lisa Sigell reports an intense investigation continues this afternoon in Orange County. Police there are trying to figure out who purposely placed more than a dozen nails in a local playground.

DEL TACO SHOOTING

June 19, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports witnesses still can't believe what they saw—chaos and confusion as people ran from the restaurant screaming, "Gunshots! Gunshots!". Tonight, detectives are still going over the crime scene inside the Del Taco restaurant in San Bernardino.

REDLANDS PURSUIT

June 21, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:58)

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports on a wild and dangerous pursuit that took place over several Southland freeways, and seen right here live in KCAL9 this afternoon. It started in the Inland Empire and ended in gunfire near the Long Beach Marina when Officers opened fire on the suspect.

SOCIAL SERVICES STABBING

June 23, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 Reporter Greg Mills reports details on the fight that led to a violent attack at the Orange County Social Services Agency. One employee stabbed another in the head with a screwdriver. The suspect was arrested.

BRUINS ARRESTED

June 26, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 Reporter Suzie Suh reports three UCLA football recruits are facing charges tonight. The incoming freshman were arrested and accused of stealing on the Westwood campus.

STUDENT HIT-AND-RUN

June 28, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:48)

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports the search for a missing college student has come to a tragic end. Police have identified a body found on the 405 Freeway as the missing 20-year-old. They believe he was killed by a hit-and-run driver as he walked home from a party.

SEARCH FOR AN ARSONIST

June 30, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports that police need your help tonight. They're looking for an arsonist who tried to start a fire at the Mormon Temple in Westwood.

MISSED CANCER DIAGNOSIS

April 2, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:16)

KCAL9 Reporter Suraya Fadel reports a young woman is fighting for her life after doctors misdiagnosed her breast cancer. And now, she wants this to be a warning to other women to take charge of their own health.

BREASTFEEDING BENEFITS

April 5, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:54)

KCAL9 Reporter Kathryn Brown reports new research that shows there are big benefits to breastfeeding. It can not only save money, but it may also save lives.

PARAPLEGIC WALKER

April 6, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:28)

KCAL9 Reporter Wendy Rigby reports that for paraplegics, the dream is to one day walk again. And now, a San Antonio teenager is taking part in an exciting new medical study, which may bring that dream a few steps closer to reality.

LUNG CANCER DETECTION

April 9, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:56)

KCAL9 Reporter Elizabeth Sanchez reports lung cancer kills more than 100,000 people in this country every year. But scientists are on the verge of a new test that can find the disease early enough to treat it.

ALCOHOL AND BREAST CANCER

April 12, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:46)

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports women who drink a lot could be putting themselves in danger of developing a serious disease. New research says that the more women drink, the more likely they are to develop breast cancer, especially younger women.

HEART VALVE

April 14, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 Reporter Randall Pinkston reports millions of heart patients may soon be able to avoid open heart surgery, thanks to a new device that

seals leaky heart valves. There are few complications, and a quick recovery time.

SECONDHAND SMOKE AND SINUS

April 19, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports in tonight's Health Watch that even if you don't smoke, you could develop chronic sinus problems if you're around people who do. That's the bottom line of new research into secondhand smoke. It may cause more than sinus problems as well.

FDA SALT IN FOOD

April 20, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:51)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports that although it makes food taste better, doctors say Americans are eating way too much salt. Most of it is hidden in the processed foods we eat every day. Now, the government is taking steps to force food companies to cut the sodium.

LOOK GOOD, FEEL BETTER

April 23, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:11)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports beauty may only be skin deep, but 'feeling beautiful' can affect your entire outlook. That's the philosophy behind a volunteer program that helps cancer patients look good, and feel better.

HEALTH CLINIC TICKETS

April 25, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:45)

KCAL9 Reporter Kara Finnstrom reports that 5,600 people lined up at the L.A. Sports Arena today to get a wristband—it may be their only chance to get free health care, and they're not going to miss it. If you didn't go today, you're not out of luck yet.

HEALTH OVERHAUL

April 29, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:34)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports Governor Schwarzenegger today pledged California's full support for national health care reform. The Governor says he has long supported the concept of universal health coverage, and even proposed an overhaul of California's health care market three years ago.

CHILDREN'S MEDICINE RECALL

April 30, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 reporter Stephanie Abrams reports live with details on an urgent alert for parents tonight—immediately stop giving liquid cold and allergy medicines to your children. A drug company is recalling

major name-brand medications, because of concerns about the ingredients in them.

BAD TAP WATER

May 4, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:03)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports details from Wildomar on an important health alert for a Riverside County neighborhood: don't wash dishes, don't brush your teeth, and definitely don't drink the water.

ICE CUBE DIET

May 6, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:49)

KCAL9 Reporter Christina McLarty reports that if you're worried about your weight, don't stress out. 'Chill out' with the new ice cube diet. While some say ice might not be the best weight-loss answer, there are certainly the believers.

STRETCH MARK CREAM

May 7, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:08)

KCAL9 Reporter Suzie Suh reports on a problem that affects many women—stretch marks. Now, a Beverly Hills doctor says he's found a way to reduce the appearance of stretch marks. But does his new cream really work?

BRAIN CANCER

May 10, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:55)

KCAL9 Reporter Dr. Jennifer Ashton reports for today's Health Watch. There's new hope for people stricken with brain cancer. A new detection technique is making surgery more effective, and even extending patients' lives.

PREGNANCY APP

May 15, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:45)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports that when you're having a baby, you want to feel like you're getting all the attention you need in the hospital. But doctors can't be there 24-7 to monitor your progress—until now. From contractions to the baby's heart rate, all the information can be at your doctor's fingertips, wherever they are.

CONTAMINATED CANNED GOODS

May 18, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:03)

KCAL9 Reporter Sandra Hughes reports that eating food from a can could make you sick. A report out today tested canned foods and

drinks across the country. There are possible links to cancer and other health problems.

OXYGEN THERAPY

May 20, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:41)

KCAL9 Reporter Ioanna Roumeliotis reports on what's becoming a growing health concern: more children are being diagnosed with autism. There's no known cure, but some parents are using an unconventional and expensive new therapy at a one-of-a-kind treatment center that just opened in Canada.

DOCTOR AWARD

May 21, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:57)

KCAL9 Ventura County Reporter Amy Johnson reports a local doctor has received the 'Frist Humanitarian Award' for going above and beyond to heal the sick and wounded. We take a look at his volunteer work here in California and around the world.

PROSTATE CANCER VACCINE

May 25, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Reporter Len Cannon reports clinical trials are underway for a new vaccine that could help patients with advanced prostate cancer. This vaccine may prove to be even more effective than the one approved by the FDA last month, and could help those who've had a long-term battle with the disease.

BLOOD CLOT FILTER

May 27, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:55)

KCAL9 Reporter Wendy Rigby reports on a new medical invention that could save thousands of lives. It's a filter for deadly blood clots. They're hopeful about getting European approval for the filter by early 2011, and after rigorous testing, they'll try for FDA approval here in the U.S.

BONE MARROW

May 29, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:58)

KCAL9's Dr. Jon LaPook reports that a four-year-old boy who is fighting cancer is raising awareness about the need for bone marrow and cord blood donors. Nearly 15,000 Americans seek bone marrow transplants each year, but finding a genetic match isn't easy.

BREAST CANCER VACCINE

June 1, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:25)

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports that it seems like something out of science fiction: a cancer vaccine. But researchers are working on a vaccine to prevent breast cancer, a disease that strikes nearly 200,000 women every year. The exciting news is that there's a real possibility it will become a reality.

SINGING NURSE

June 3, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:17)

KCAL9 Reporter Erica Fox reports on a nurse at a Southern California hospital who goes beyond his call of duty. He sings to his patients! We're introduced to the trauma nurse who believes music is the best medicine.

MARIJUANA DELIVERY

June 7, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Reporter Stephanie Abrams reports live from Palms with details on how marijuana could be delivered to your door. On the same day hundreds of marijuana clinics were ordered to close down, a new service is cropping up. You don't go to them—they bring the medical marijuana to you.

SHORT PEOPLE HEART HEALTH

June 9, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9 Reporter Elizabeth Sanchez reports in Health Watch that some serious concerns have been revealed for people who are short. New research suggests that not only are shorter people more likely to develop heart disease, but it's also more likely to kill them.

CANCER COSTS

June 14, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 Reporter Itay Hod reports that it seems millions of cancer survivors are not getting the medical care they need. It's not because proper care isn't available, but rather because they can't afford it.

MORNING AFTER PILL

June 17, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:47)

KCAL9 Reporter Alison Harmelin reports that an FDA panel today ruled a new morning-after pill is safe. That means the pill is one step closer to being sold on the U.S. market. The new pill lasts longer than the current one, and it's already causing controversy.

FEMALE VIAGRA

June 18, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:24)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports that while Viagra may help men with low sex drive, a panel of medical experts voted against approval of the so-called 'female Viagra' alternative.

ANXIETY HEART DISEASE

June 21, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Reporter Peggy Bunker reports that for some people, anxiety can sometimes feel like a heart attack. And now, two new studies show those symptoms can be setting patients up for heart disease.

WHOOPING COUGH EPIDEMIC

June 23, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:47)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports that whooping cough, once confined to medical history books, is back. California is facing an epidemic of whooping cough, also known as Pertussis. The good news is it's completely preventable with a standard vaccine.

EXERCISE BALL CHAIRS

June 25, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:06)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reports that sitting in a chair for too long can be bad for your health. So one company is providing a more balanced approach to the workplace, with exercise balls replacing chairs. Research shows that four hours of sitting in a chair actually changes your body's metabolism, and it also puts a lot of extra stress on your back.

HEAT STROKE

June 29, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:44)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reports outdoor workouts can be dangerous when it's hot, and the CDC says about 300 people die each year because of heat stroke. We provide tips on how to keep yourself safe.

HAY FEVER VACCINE

June 30, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 Reporter Charlie D'Agata reports that hay fever sufferers might soon get some relief. Swiss scientists are working on a vaccine that cures hay fever, and helps with asthma, eczema and other allergies.

HOMELESS SHELTER**April 1, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:35)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that the Laguna Beach City Council is reaching out to help the homeless. The Council approved a plan to relocate a temporary sleeping shelter to a bigger location. The shelter was created in November to prevent the city's beaches and parks from being used for overnight sleeping and camping.

MISSION EASTER PASSOVER**April 4, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:02)**

KCAL9 Anchor Glen Walker reports on how hundreds of volunteers turned out today to give downtown L.A.'s homeless an Easter celebration complete with food and gifts, as the Midnight Mission hosted this combination Easter-Passover brunch.

SKID ROW CRACKDOWN**April 7, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:01)**

KCAL9 Anchor Glen Walker reports that L.A. city leaders faced off with suspected drug dealers and gang members, in a heated exchange today. L.A. city attorney Carmen Trutanich announced a new injunction that prevents drug dealers from entering Skid Row.

WORTHY TREASURE L.A.**April 8, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT :25)**

KCAL9 Reporter Jim Hill reports that the Central City Association of L.A. honored Angelenos who have given back to the local community as part of the 16th Annual Treasures of Los Angeles Luncheon. Among the honorees was our own "Big Game" James Worthy.

JUDGE MATHIS BIRTHDAY**April 10, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:29)**

KCAL9 Reporter Suzie Suh reports that KCAL9's popular Judge Greg Mathis had a big birthday celebration tonight, as he turned 50. The all-out birthday extravaganza is in full swing and being held at the historic Warner Bros. studio lot.

HEMET POLICE COUNCIL**April 13, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:03)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports that the Hemet City Council has just declared a state of emergency in their Inland Empire community, following a series of attacks on the police department.

RACIST FLYERS

April 17, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:05)

KCAL9 Reporter Rita Garcia reports on outrage in Rialto tonight after racist flyers showed up in mostly Latino neighborhoods. The 'Aryan Nations' group says it dropped off the flyers, and more are coming. Many believe it is a form of terrorism, but the flyers are not illegal.

E. COLI WATER COMMUNITY

April 22, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Dave Marquis reports that something scary may be coming out of the faucets in one Northern California community. Water company officials in Stockton have found E. coli bacteria in the water supply.

ARMENIAN GENOCIDE

April 24, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:44)

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports that L.A.'s Armenian community is remembering a dark anniversary with protest. This is the 95th anniversary of the Armenian genocide, and Armenian demonstrators marched outside Turkey's consulate in the Fairfax district.

NEW ANIMAL SHELTER

April 26, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports live with details on the strays and unwanted animals in Riverside that today are at a new, multimillion-dollar home. It was the biggest one-day move of animals in the county.

SCIENTOLOGY CHURCH

April 27, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:32)

KCAL9 Reporter Dave Malkoff reports that the Church of Scientology has reopened its newly rebuilt church center in Hollywood, and KCAL9 was given a special tour.

MAY DAY PREPS

April 30, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports live with important information on a big event – the May Day Rally and Immigration

March. Huge crowds are expected to descend on downtown L.A. tomorrow, many to protest Arizona's tough new immigration law.

COMMUNITY EVACUATION

May 1, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:46)

KCAL9 Reporter Suzie Suh reports that a massive community evacuation drill helped one local neighborhood get prepared for the possibility of a wildfire. About 3,700 Topanga Canyon residents received notification about the mock evacuation, and where they should go.

MOM DAY MAKEOVERS

May 3, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:43)

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports hundreds of women are being given a day of beauty in an early Mother's Day celebration. The Fred Jordan Mission in Skid Row is there every day to help those who struggle to get by, but today, their outer beauty was the top focus.

CINCO DE MAYO L.A. LIVE

May 5, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:30)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports that today is Cinco de Mayo, and downtown L.A. will feature a free outdoor celebration at the Nokia Plaza L.A. Live, with live performances by Poncho Sanchez and Sheila E.

PROM SOLD OUT?

May 6, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports that the senior prom is a big event for many high school students, but dozens of students in Apple Valley thought they'd be sitting at home this Saturday instead. Now, that's changed.

CAR WASH

May 10, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:08)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports that if you've ever wanted to take your car for a spin around a racetrack, now's your chance! Just go to the Auto Club Speedway in Fontana, where you'll also be able to get your car washed, and help sick children around Southern California.

AZ ETHNIC STUDIES

May 13, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:57)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reports on how Arizona is coming under fire again over a new law targeting ethnic studies in schools. The state

schools chief says the Tucson School District's Mexican-American studies program teaches Latino students that they are oppressed by white people.

OMELET PARLOR CLOSING

May 17, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:29)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports a community landmark in Costa Mesa is closing its doors. For nearly 30 years, the Omelet Parlor served up tens of thousands of hot breakfasts. Now, some customers are really upset.

RENT CONTROL

May 21, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports live from downtown L.A. where a brawl broke out in City Hall as hundreds of residents of rent-controlled apartments demanded the city place a freeze on rent increases.

SAFE CITY IRVINE

May 24, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:32)

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that the city of Irvine is the 'safest city in the nation' for the sixth year in a row. Irvine's Mayor credits community involvement, and says the city's residents deserve credit for helping.

BOYCOTT PROTEST

May 25, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:25)

KCAL9 Reporter Kristine Lazar reports that protestors are sounding off today at L.A. City Hall. They're rallying against the City Council's Arizona boycott. It all comes back to that state's anti-illegal immigration law.

SAFE PCH

May 27, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT :49)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports that PCH can get especially dangerous during the summer months with more tourists and beachgoers walking across the highway. Today, community leaders near PCH want to send a message to drivers to be safe.

HOME RAFFLE STEINBERG

May 29, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 Reporter Suzie Suh reports if you'd like to own a million-dollar house, and only spend \$150 to get it, then now is your chance thanks to a one-of-a-kind raffle in Orange County.

SKID ROW CAREER FAIR**June 3, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)**

KCAL9 Reporter Kirk Hawkins reports hundreds of homeless people on the streets of downtown's Skid Row are getting a chance to turn their lives around at a job fair at L.A.'s Mission.

SWALLOWS RETURN/NEW COMMUNITY**June 8, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:37)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports that the famous swallows of Capistrano are going upscale this year. They usually return to the mission San Juan Capistrano, and nestle in the roof after their migration from Argentina. But this year, the flock found a new place to stay.

MT. EVEREST BOY**June 9, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:59)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports that Jordan Romero - who had set two world records when he reached the summit of Mount Everest - and his family are being honored by their neighbors in Big Bear. They have officially been named ambassadors for the mountain community.

MISSION VIEJO RABBITS**June 11, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:31)**

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports residents say they're fed up with rabbits chewing up their grass and flowers. Now the city of Mission Viejo has given the community permission to use pellet guns to control the population.

GAY PRIDE PARADE**June 13, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:41)**

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports on one of the biggest days of the year in West Hollywood—the 40th Annual Gay Pride Parade today.

WONDERBOY**June 14, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 4:46)**

KCAL9 Reporter Leyna Nguyen reports a special story about a young boy named Son Tran—a teenager unlike any other, whose dream it is to go from homeless to Harvard.

BLUEBERRY FARM**June 15, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:53)**

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Sayre reports the delicious details of a sweet situation ripening in Redlands—a bumper crop of blueberries, ready to be picked by you!

MEXICAN MAFIA

June 16, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:03)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports live from Chino with details on a developing story, as local and federal law enforcement crack down on a street gang they say has ties to the Mexican mafia.

LAKERS HIGHLIGHTS

June 18, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:09)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reports that it was sloppy, it was physical, but it was nothing the Lakers couldn't handle. They nabbed the 2010 NBA Championship for the second straight year, and made Angelenos very proud.

WALK FOR PEACE

June 19, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:56)

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports that concerned fathers gathered in Pacoima today for a symbolic 'walk for peace against gang violence'.

LAKERS CELEBRATION

June 20, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports the excitement and anticipation is rising as L.A. prepares for a Lakers love-fest. Tomorrow's victory parade for the NBA back-to-back world champions is just hours away.

PARADE RECAP

June 22, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:27)

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports she and Rick Garcia were on hand as L.A. turned out to celebrate the Lakers back-to-back championship. The parade may have been short, but it was sweet. For two miles, L.A. fans screamed and cheered proudly for their Lakers.

STUDIO CITY FIREWORKS

June 30, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:34)

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports that it is a place where TV magic is made, but this weekend it will be home to a different kind of magic—the 4th of July celebration right here on the CBS Studio Center lot in Studio City. Members of the community are encouraged to come enjoy.

NEW FUEL STANDARDS**April 1, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:52)**

KCAL9 Reporter Joel Brown reports that in about five years' time, the car or truck you buy will be able to travel more miles on a lot less fuel. The Obama administration is enacting new fuel standards, and the plan could also help the environment.

RIALTO PROJECT**April 2, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:50)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports that people who live in El Rancho Verde Country Club in Rialto are gearing up for a battle against development there. An environmental impact report is in the works for the proposed Lytle Creek Wash Project.

DUARTE BEAR**April 8, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:37)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reports on street-team video sent to us by the Trazo family in Duarte. The family looked outside and saw a bear in the backyard! A friendly reminder from wildlife experts—don't leave food out, because that's probably what the bear was looking for.

WATER MAIN BREAKS**April 13, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:27)**

KCAL9 Reporter Glen Walker reports live from downtown L.A. with the latest on a new city report. Looking back at all the broken water mains last summer, the report says that they were caused by people simply following water conservation rules.

EURO FLIGHTS SATURDAY**April 17, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:25)**

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Phillips reports the latest on the erupting volcano in Iceland. Forecasters say a high pressure system is holding back the ash from blanketing parts of Europe for at least the next few days. So far the ash has shut down air travel from Britain to the Ukraine.

BEAR SIGHTINGS**April 18, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:54)**

KCAL9 Reporter Stephanie Abrams reports live from Tujunga with the story of how people in the foothills of Tujunga have had some close

encounters with a bear. One resident even caught the bear on tape, and is showing it only to KCAL9.

WHALE SAN DIEGO BAY

April 20, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT :31)

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports that a gray whale has wandered into San Diego Bay. The large visitor showed up yesterday off Shelter Island. A fisherman spotted him and called the Coast Guard. Experts say the mammals occasionally wander into the harbor when migrating up and down the California coast.

BIG BEAR SNOW

April 21, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Greg Mills reports live from Big Bear, where the conditions are overcast, cold and windy; however there is not a ton of snow.

EARTH DAY LADYBUGS

April 22, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT :45)

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports on how local kids are learning the lessons of Earth Day with the help of thousands of ladybugs. Dozens of children in Anaheim released more than 140,000 bugs into the plants and flowers at Disneyland's California Adventure. Organizers of the event want the kids to learn environmentally-friendly gardening.

WHOLE PLANET - JOSH

April 24, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:31)

KCAL9 Anchor Juan Fernandez reports on how hundreds of Southern Californians are doing their part to be eco-friendly. Many gathered in Northridge today for a community celebration in honor of the 40th anniversary of Earth Day. KCAL9 Meteorologist Josh Rubenstein was on hand to promote the importance of taking care of the environment.

CARSON TOXINS

April 29, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:11)

KCAL9 Reporter Melissa McCarty reports that a battle over the environment is bubbling to the surface in a Carson neighborhood. Residents say toxic chemicals in the soil are ruining their health, and they blame it on Shell Oil Company: before their homes were built, Shell housed millions of gallons of oil in a tank farm on the site.

GULF OIL SPILL

April 30, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:53)

KCAL9 Reporter Terrell Brown reports live from Venice, Louisiana, where oil has already washed up on shore. The massive oil leak off the Louisiana coast is shaping up to be one of this country's biggest environmental disasters in decades.

BIRD RESCUE

May 1, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:06)

KCAL9 Reporter Kara Finnstrom reports on how the oil rig disaster is likely to have a severe impact on seabirds and other marine wildlife. Local experts in bird rescues have arrived in Louisiana to help.

BEAR IN A TREE

May 4, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:06)

KCAL9 Reporter Leyna Nguyen reports that bears can sleep anywhere they want, including the branches of a pine tree at an Oxnard Cemetery! Usually that wouldn't be a problem, but in this case the bear seemed to be knocked out cold and couldn't get down. The Fire Department was called for a very risky rescue.

OIL SPILL FRIDAY

May 7, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:47)

KCAL9 Reporter Manuel Gallegus reports the latest on how crews are now putting a containment box in place over the leaking oil rig. Robot submarines are trying to align it correctly. Residents are keeping their fingers crossed that the mission will be a success.

WAYWARD WHALE

May 11, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:20)

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports on night #2 of the sick gray whale, still hanging out in the water near Dana Point Harbor. The 40-foot long Gray Whale was spotted around noon yesterday. Marine biologists are watching closely. They say it is much too dangerous to get up close to the animal, so the best they can do now is watch it and let nature take its course.

OIL SPILL CLEANUP

May 13, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:05)

KCAL9 Reporter Terrell Brown reports that four-inch tar balls have washed up on some beaches in Alabama, in the wake of the big oil spill in the gulf. Engineers for British Petroleum are still trying to figure out how to get a second containment dome to work.

VOLCANIC ASH

May 16, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:02)

KCAL9 Reporter Edward Lawrence reports that Europe's busiest airport, Heathrow Airport in London, is closed tonight because of the volcano in Iceland. It continues to erupt, sending dangerous ash into the air.

DELAYED FIRE SEASON

May 18, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports that the late season rain may delay this year's fire season. We explore how this good news also comes with some bad news.

GULF OF MEXICO

May 20, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:17)

KCAL9 Reporter Joel Brown reports that it's been one month since a BP oil rig exploded, sending millions of gallons of oil into the Gulf of Mexico. Heavy crude oil is now washing ashore in Louisiana, and company officials admit they were wrong about how much oil is spilling each day.

OIL SPILL DISASTER

May 23, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:51)

KCAL9 Anchor Juan Fernandez reports on a setback tonight in the effort to contain the massive oil spill in the Gulf Coast. A mile-long tube being used to siphon off the oil underwater, has suddenly slowed down. BP says the tube is now only capturing half the leaking crude it was a day ago.

VICTORVILLE FIRE

May 26, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:13)

KCAL9 Reporter Melissa McCarty reports live from Victorville, where San Bernardino firefighters have gained the upper hand on a brush fire that was threatening homes near Victorville.

BRITISH PETROLEUM

May 27, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:25)

KCAL9 Reporter Kathryn Brown reports from Venice, Louisiana, with more on what is now officially the worst oil spill in U.S. history. BP announces the top-kill method is going according to plan, and President Obama takes responsibility for cleaning up the mess.

OIL SPILL WONDER PRODUCT

May 30, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:43)

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports that because none of BP's ideas have worked yet, the company says it is looking at a lot of

suggestions on controlling the spill. One company claims to have a green solution, but that BP isn't taking them up on it.

HURRICANE SEASON

June 1, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:49)

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that today marks the official start of the Atlantic hurricane season. A downpour in Miami already is giving residents a sample of what might come. Experts predict between eight and 14 hurricanes to form this season, and up to 23 tropical storms.

LIFE WITHOUT PLASTIC

June 4, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:53)

KCAL9's Doctor Sanjay Gupta reports on how we've been told the environmentally-friendly thing to do is live greener lives, and cut back on our waste. But is it possible to live without plastic? One woman says it can be done, even if it means making your own toothpaste.

50 DAYS

June 8, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:08)

KCAL9 Reporter Manuel Gallegus reports from Venice, Louisiana, with the latest on the cleanup effort, nearly two months after a drilling rig exploded, sending oil gushing into the Gulf of Mexico. Experts say the effect on the environment already is devastating and might not be reversible.

GULF OIL SPILL

June 10, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:35)

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports on Day 52 of the environmental disaster in the Gulf. And tonight we're learning that it's even worse than we previously thought.

WILDLIFE CLEANING

June 14, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:04)

KCAL9 Reporter Maya Rodriguez reports that the massive oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico has coated a lot of wildlife with thick ooze. Wildlife rehabilitators have been forced to move to a larger facility. We take a look inside the triage center.

CORONA BRUSHER

June 16, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports that firefighters are still putting out hot spots from a brushfire in Corona. The fire broke out early this afternoon just off the 91 freeway and Green River Road, near the edge of the Cleveland National Forest.

DEADLY TORNADOES**June 18, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:47)**

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports that Minnesota residents are picking up the pieces after a reported 39-tornadoes touched down in the state on one day, setting a new record. Three people were killed and dozens of others injured.

ARIZONA FIRE**June 20, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:34)**

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports that there's a California connection to one of three wildfires in Arizona. A California man is accused of setting one of the fires when he dumped hot coals on the ground at a campsite. The first fire has burned more than three-thousand acres and forced hundreds of evacuations.

CALEXICO MOVED**June 23, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:13)**

KCAL9 Reporter Suzie Suh reports on how the Earth moved, literally, when that big seven-point-two earthquake struck Baja, California Easter Sunday. It struck near the U.S.-Mexico border, and shifted the ground in Calexico. NASA photos shed new light on the situation.

STORM DAMAGE**June 25, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:25)**

KCAL9 Reporter Magee Hickey reports that powerful thunderstorms rolled through the northeast, leaving thousands without power. The storms left behind a path of destruction and plenty of frayed nerves.

DESERT CENTER HAZMAT**June 28, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:44)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports breaking news—the CHP has evacuated more than five miles of the 10-freeway near Desert Center tonight, because an overturned truck is leaking a hazardous insecticide.

HURRICANE ALEX**June 30, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:58)**

KCAL9 Reporter Wendy Gillette reports on how Hurricane Alex has blasted ashore on Northern Mexico's Gulf Coast. The storm is now a Category Two hurricane with winds near 100 miles per hour, and there is already flooding happening from Mexico to Texas.

ANTI-BULLYING PROGRAMS**April 3, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:13)**

KCAL9 Reporter Kate Bolduan reports that although more than 40 states have laws against bullying, that doesn't necessarily stop it from happening at school. But a middle school in Maryland is addressing the problem in a different way—a groundbreaking, anti-bullying program.

PERMIT STUDENTS**April 6, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:36)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports on some relief tonight for L.A. parents whose kids attend schools outside the district and who launched a loud campaign today to keep the transfer policy intact. Superintendent Ramon Cortines says he will allow it through next year, but he plans to change that for the 2011 to 2012 school year and beyond.

TEACHER CRISIS**April 7, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:53)**

KCAL9 Reporter Stephanie Abrams reports that while there's nothing funny about the city's budget crisis and how it's going to affect your schools, a humorous take on teachers is bringing new attention to the problem. It's a video that some Hollywood heavyweights hope will raise awareness.

LAPD WATTS KIDS**April 9, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:52)**

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports five LAPD officers and a group of kids from a Watts housing project are headed to Cleveland to meet NBA star LeBron James. It's all part of Project Dream, a program that gives inner-city kids a chance to interact with police in a positive way, and stay out of trouble.

CHELSEA'S LAW**April 12, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:09)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports 17-year-old Chelsea King was raped and murdered, allegedly by a convicted sex offender, and now her parents are fighting to protect other children from the same fate. They were in Sacramento today, pushing for "Chelsea's Law".

LAUSD SCHOOL YEAR**April 13, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:51)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports students in L.A. public schools will spend less time in the classroom so that hundreds of teachers can keep their jobs. LAUSD faces an enormous budget deficit, so the School Board has decided to shorten the school year by five days this year, and seven next year.

KIDS BASEBALL INJURIES**April 16, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:57)**

KCAL9 Reporter Terrell Brown reports that even though it's little league baseball, some kids are already suffering big league injuries that can require surgery. We look into why more children are getting hurt on the field.

LIBRARIAN PROTEST**April 18, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:48)**

KCAL9 Anchor Juan Fernandez reports on a different kind of protest today—this one quiet, just like a library. Librarians read to kids on the lawn in front of Mayor Villaraigosa's Hancock Park home. They're angry with his proposed cuts in funding. Librarians say students and job seekers will be hurt the most.

AUTISM PARTNERSHIP**April 20, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:22)**

KCAL9 Reporter Suraya Fadel reports that when a child is diagnosed with autism, it can be overwhelming for the entire family. Now there's a program to help parents and children with autism manage their lives.

UNIFIED TEACHERS**April 23, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:19)**

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reports live from San Juan Capistrano with the latest on how hundreds of teachers in Orange County are on strike for a second day. Just moments ago, negotiators for the Capistrano School District and for the teachers started talking about a possible resolution to the dispute.

OBAMA HIGH SCHOOL**April 26, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:18)**

KCAL9 Reporter Edward Lawrence reports a local school has the chance to have President Obama speak at its commencement ceremony. The Charter School in Lawndale is one of six finalists in the President's 'Race to the Top' Commencement Challenge.

SCHOOL AWARD**April 28, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:50)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports on how hard work and dedication paid off—a Ventura County elementary school picked up a prestigious award for excellence. Rose Avenue Elementary in Oxnard scored this year's Title 1 Academy Achievement Award, and is the only school in the district to get the honor.

CHILDREN'S COLD MEDICINE RECALL**May 1, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:46)**

KCAL9 Anchor Glen Walker reports an important alert for parents: more than 40 over-the-counter children's medicines are being recalled because of quality concerns. Parents are urged not to give the recalled drugs to children.

HAWK AT SCHOOL**May 3, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:34)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Greg Mills reports on how a local school was forced to close a play area to keep preschoolers safe from a nesting hawk. The hawk has already ambushed some grownups at an elementary school in Redlands.

TEACHER'S AIDE LAWSUIT**May 5, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:52)**

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports the parents of a special needs student are suing the Oxnard Union High School District for not protecting their daughter from a teacher's aide. 16-year-old Megan Spitzer was victimized by having her lunch money stolen. But Megan's parents feel the district should be held accountable for the people they hire.

VALEDICTORIAN MOM**May 10, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:13)**

KCAL9 Ventura County Reporter Amy Johnson reports an inspirational story out of Thousand Oaks that proves you can overcome obstacles to achieve your goals. This year's valedictorian at California Lutheran University is a mother, who sometimes could only take one class at a time.

DAYCARE STUDY**May 15, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:52)**

KCAL9 Reporter Kathryn Brown reports a new study finds that the quality of early child care can have a big impact on behavior and school performance. Researchers looked at both in-home care and daycare centers.

KIDS/PESTICIDES**May 17, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:53)**

KCAL9 Reporter Manuel Gallegus reports that ADHD, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, affects four-and-a-half million children between five and 17 years old. Now, a new study shows that some common pesticides may play a role.

FOSTER KIDS**May 20, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 4:48)**

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports an update on how one of his 2004 undercover investigations helped lead to sweeping reforms in the education of foster children. Foster kids are often sent to non-public schools for emotionally disturbed children. Now, Randy investigates to see what changes have been made.

SWIMMING TODDLERS**May 24, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:39)**

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports that doctors now give the thumbs-up for children as young as one to take swimming lessons. The American Academy of Pediatrics used to be against children younger than four taking lessons, but now they've updated their policy. They say toddlers are less likely to drown if they've had swim lessons.

NEW DESKS FOR SCHOOL**May 25, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:38)**

KCAL9 Reporter Greg Mills reports on how a 4th grade class in Compton got new desks today. But they didn't come from the school district -- the classroom upgrade is from a local furniture company.

EDUCATION BUDGET PLAN**May 26, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:58)**

KCAL9 Reporter Kevin Riggs reports another controversial proposal to address the state's budget issues. Part of the plan would involve raising taxes, and education cuts.

DOLPHIN THERAPY**May 28, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:36)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports parents are now using dolphins and dolphin therapy to help their children with autism. Researchers say high-frequency sounds from the dolphins can stimulate the nervous system. The dolphins also help the kids have fun and interact.

BLIND KIDS KAYAK**May 30, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:57)**

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports dozens of young children, ages three to six, took a kayak trip around the Newport Bay Ecological Reserve with the Blind Children's Learning Center. They can't see, so they experience the ocean with their other senses. Instructors say it's a very important learning opportunity.

JOBS FOR NEW GRADS**June 1, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:22)**

KCAL9 Reporter Christine Romans reports that although there was a time when a college degree meant a job after graduation, things are more difficult these days, and grads are having a tough time finding that first job. She offers some job-hunting tips for new grads.

ALTERNATIVE GRADUATION**June 3, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)**

KCAL9 Reporter Melissa McCarty reports that 8th grade graduation ceremonies were axed during budget cuts in the Hart Union School District in Santa Clarita. So, a 14-year-old boy organized a private graduation ceremony for students of Sierra Vista Junior High, and KCAL9 was there.

STUDENTS SAVE SCHOOL**June 8, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:10)**

KCAL9 Reporter Rachel Kim reports elementary school students in Thousand Oaks were up to the challenge of raising thousands of dollars to save some school programs that were slated to be dropped because of budget cuts. We were there as the kids were treated to a grand 'thank you' celebration.

ONE-ROOM SCHOOL CLOSES**June 13, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:26)**

KCAL9 Reporter Rob Roth reports that in a remote part of Napa County, surrounded by vineyards, a one-room schoolhouse closed its doors for good on Friday after more than 150 years. They say Wooden Valley Elementary was the oldest continuously operating one-room school in the state.

LAUSD LAYOFFS**June 16, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:39)**

KCAL9 Anchor Lisa Sigell reports the Los Angeles Unified School District is actually rescinding more than 500 layoff notices, as the LAUSD reached a deal with the United Teachers Los Angeles union.

HOSPITAL HIGH GRADUATE**June 17, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:04)**

KCAL9 Reporter Michelle Simick reports that it's never any fun to be in the hospital, especially for a 17-year-old girl who's missing her high school graduation. So doctors and nurses at Cedars-Sinai are easing her disappointment, by throwing a hospital graduation party!

TEACHER PROTEST**June 22, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:37)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports that in downtown L.A. today, members of the California School Employees Association chanted, marched and protested upcoming layoffs. The L.A. School Board plans to lay off or furlough nearly half of the CSEA workers in the district.

SCHOOL BRAWL**June 24, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:53)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports two people have been arrested after a big brawl at a Victorville elementary school yesterday. Parents were not allowed on campus today, even for a 6th grade graduation.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS**June 26, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:36)**

KCAL9 Anchor Juan Fernandez reports that more kids will be walking instead of riding to school this fall in Ohio because of budget cuts. So one school district is test-driving a 'walking school bus'.

KIDS RESTAURANT WEEK**June 28, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:43)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that if you're looking for an inexpensive dinner out, there's a great incentive to go out with your family in Orange County—kids there eat free this week! It's all part of Kids' Restaurant Week.

MILLION PLATES**June 28, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:40)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that a program which provides huge support for arts education was launched this morning. It's called the 'Million Plates Campaign.'

USC SANCTIONS**June 29, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:35)**

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports that USC officials today filed an appeal with the NCAA. They're asking that some of the sanctions against the school's football program be reduced.

AIRPORT CHECKS

April 2, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:47)

KCAL9 Reporter Joel Brown reports that soon you might spend less time in security lines at the airport. There is a change in who will be getting extra screening.

L.A. CITY CASH

April 5, 9-10 p.m. (TRT 3:14)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports on the latest in the fight over money, as a top city official warns that L.A. could run out of cash next month, unless drastic action is taken. It's the latest chapter in the escalating war between the City Council and the Department of Water and Power.

CITY MONEY BATTLES

April 6, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:00)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports on a new twist in L.A.'s downward-spiraling budget crisis. Mayor Villaraigosa now says he wants to shut down all city agencies two days a week, starting Monday, because there's no money. The move would not include public safety or revenue-generating departments like parking enforcement.

SHOPPING FRENZY

April 8, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:53)

KCAL9 Ventura County Reporter Amy Johnson reports that there are positive signs for the economy. March was a great month for retailers, leading to the best monthly sales performance in a decade! Experts point to Easter and sunny weather for the boost.

FOUND MONEY

April 9, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports that cost-cutting moves and increased property taxes added 63 million dollars to the L.A. city coffers. It might be enough to help with immediate budget problems, but the city's revenue problems are far from over.

DON'T BUY LEXUS

April 13, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 Reporter Greg Mills reports that there are new troubles for Toyota. This time, their Lexus GX 460 is the problem. Consumer Reports has issued a rare safety warning, saying don't buy this SUV.

MORTGAGE HELP

April 14, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 Reporter Edward Lawrence reports that the government's latest effort to help homeowners facing foreclosure doesn't go far enough. That's the bottom line in a study done by a watchdog group, but it's no surprise to millions who have turned to the government for help.

FINANCIAL REFORM

April 19, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:01)

KCAL9 Reporter Nancy Cordes reports that the battle over financial reform heated up again. President Obama's Treasury Secretary personally lobbied congressional lawmakers, to pass strict new regulations for the banking industry.

TRASH SEARCH FEE

April 21, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:38)

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports that every city and county in Southern California is looking for ways to save or make money. San Bernardino County's Public Works Department is thinking about charging a by-the-minute fee for searching through trash trucks for lost items.

FORD RECALL

April 23, 2-3 p.m. newscast (0:33)

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports on a new auto recall, this time involving Ford. Thirty-three thousand mid-size cars and SUVs have potentially faulty reclining mechanisms in the front seats. The recall involves 2010 models of the Fusion, the Explorer, Explorer Sport Track and Mercury Milan.

FINANCIAL REGULATION

April 26, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:30)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports that Republicans in the Senate managed to vote down a debate on major financial reform late this afternoon. But Democrats appear undaunted by the setback, and say they'll be bringing up the issue up again very soon.

GOLDMAN SACHS GRILLED

April 27, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:11)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports that lawmakers on Capitol Hill want to know how practices at one of Wall Street's biggest investment banks led to the near meltdown of the nation's financial system.

DELPHINE – DINE ON A DIME

May 2, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:19)

KCAL9 Reporter Christina McLarty reports on how you can 'dine on a dime' at Delphine. The new W Hotel in Hollywood is upscale in every way, but the restaurant inside is classic casual. And it's serving up good food at even better prices.

OIL SPILL

May 4, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Reporter Terrell Brown reports that the giant oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico is shaking up the energy market. Traders are worried the leak will interrupt imports along the Gulf Coast. That concern has elevated crude oil prices to more than \$86 a barrel.

GREECE PROTESTS

May 6, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports the latest on the financial crisis in Greece, which may have contributed to today's money meltdown. In Athens, violent clashes have intensified since the Greek government passed a financial austerity bill needed to secure international rescue loans.

SHOPPING PITFALLS

May 10, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:41)

KCAL9 Reporter Paula Ebben reports that if you find yourself spending more money than you planned during a trip to the mall, you're not alone. It happens to a lot of us, so experts have some tips on how you can resist temptation and stay within your budget.

FISCAL PLAN

May 14, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:57)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports live from downtown L.A. on how two-thousand jobs are on the line, as the L.A. City Council gets its first look at next year's fiscal plan. The Council's Budget and Finance Committee is considering major cutbacks to deal with the budget crisis.

TOY DART RECALL

May 17, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:55)

KCAL9 Anchor Lisa Sigell reports that the federal government is pulling a popular toy dart gun off store shelves, because two boys have

already died. The Consumer Product Safety Commission is working to help recall almost two million of these toys.

SPILL OIL PRICES

May 18, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:30)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reports that the spill has not affected oil prices, but the chaos in the European economy has. Traders are worried global demand for oil will drop, while supplies continue to rise. That concern pushed the price of crude oil down to about \$70 a barrel, the lowest level so far this year.

MARKETS ON EDGE

May 20, 4-5 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:53)

KCAL9 Reporter Farnoosh Torabi reports the latest from the stock exchange in New York. Stocks took another dive on Wall Street today. Some investors say it's caused by concern about the value of the Euro.

VIDEO GAMES

May 22, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:01)

KCAL9 Reporter Jeff Glor reports that video gamers are marking the 30th anniversary of Pac-Man. The milestone comes as the video game industry offers more lucrative careers in a multi-billion dollar business. We take a look behind the scenes.

HOLIDAY TRAVEL VEGAS

May 27, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports that travel experts say more people will hit the road for the long holiday weekend, because of the improving economy. Lots of people are looking for deals, so we take a look at some bargains in Las Vegas.

TRAVEL FEES

May 29, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Ashley Morrison reports that airlines hoping to turn a profit are adding summer surcharges. They're calling nearly every day from June through August a "peak" travel day.

NO MORE RECYCLING

May 30, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 2:06)

KCAL9 Reporter Whit Johnson reports that the economic downturn has sent tax revenue falling for governments across the country. And now, a growing number are saving money, by throwing out their recycling program. Some cities feel there is no other choice.

AIRLINE NEW RULES UNVEILED**June 2, 3-3:30 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:56)**

KCAL9 Reporter Joel Brown reports from Reagan National Airport in Washington on how getting bumped from a flight could now get you more money. The Transportation Department today unveiled new proposals to benefit passengers.

MCDONALD'S SHREK RECALL**June 4, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:48)**

KCAL9 Reporter Kirk Hawkins reports that if you recently bought one of the McDonald's drinking glasses promoting the movie "Shrek," you should stop using it. The burger giant is taking them back because the products are potentially dangerous.

CHRYSLER RECALL**June 7, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:25)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reports that two major Chrysler recalls were just announced this morning. Three-hundred thousand Jeep Wranglers from the 2006 through 2010 model years are being recalled for possible brake fluid leaks. Also, 2008 and 2009 Grand Caravan and Town and Country minivans are being recalled because of a wiring problem, which could cause a fire inside the sliding doors.

DWP AUDIT**June 10, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:57)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reports on how the city of L.A. audited the Department of Water and Power, after they went head-to-head over millions of dollars in transfer money. Today, the results were released.

CONSUMER ALERT**June 12, 10-11 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:30)**

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports on a consumer alert tonight—police in Riverside are warning homeowners and business owners to watch out for crooks, posing as burglar alarm salesmen! Investigators urge anyone approached, to ask for documentation. You can also check with the state, or call the Riverside Police Alarm Enforcement Unit.

L.A. LAYOFFS**June 15, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:30)**

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Garcia reports that the city of Los Angeles will hand out nearly 300 pink slips tomorrow morning, as leaders struggle to balance the budget.

GULF COAST FINANCIAL IMPACT**June 18, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 3:11)**

KCAL9 Reporter Bill Capo reports that frustration is growing in Gulf coastal communities as the oil disaster continues. Crude is washing ashore on Alabama's snow white beaches, and businesses that cater to tourists are losing money fast.

RECESSION FAMILIES**June 19, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 4:25)**

KCAL9 Reporter Jeff Glor reports that some American families whose incomes sheltered them from the effects of the economic recession are beginning to feel the pain. Unfortunately, things may get worse before they get better.

MCDONALD'S LAWSUIT**June 22, 9-10 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:57)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports that the Center for Science in the Public Interest is threatening to sue the burger giant McDonald's unless it stops what the consumer group calls deceptive marketing to kids. The group says those marketing practices are already illegal in many states.

CRIB RECALL**June 24, 2-3 p.m. newscast (TRT 0:45)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports that more than two-million cribs are being recalled from seven companies this morning. Child safety experts are concerned that babies could suffocate, get trapped in or fall from the cribs.

SEAFOOD PRICES**June 28, 8-9 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:58)**

KCAL9 Reporter Alexis Christophorous reports that the Gulf oil spill is having a ripple effect on the economy. The spill could mean you'll be shelling out more for your seafood.

SCREAMIN' COUPONS**June 29, 12-1 p.m. newscast (TRT 1:48)**

KCAL9 Reporter Stephanie Abrams reports that a new coupon website is a win-win deal—it saves you money, and puts cash into the pockets of public schools. "Screamin' Coupons" is the latest entry in a growing wave of group discounts, and we explore how it works.